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1. At the close of January there was lively ship movement in the harbor. A particularly large number of Swedish freighters came in with ore and took away briquettes. Two Soviet freighters loaded package goods from Schott and Weiss of Jena, for Leningrad. They also took in DKW auto bodies. Another Soviet freighter loaded scrap from Berli. A Polish steamer took aboard typewriters of the Olympia type from Erfurt for Koenigsberg, as well as calculating machines.
2. In January, the Neptun yard received plans for a large salvage tug from the Soviets. It is to be built as a rush job, and will be 48 meters long and 16 meters in beam.
3. The first drifters of the 1952 series have been launched; Nos. 643, 644, and 645. The 3,000-ton freighter is making good progress and another of 3,500 tons has been laid down.
4. The new welding building has been completed.
5. When the M boats are turned over to the Soviets, they will be armed with five 76.2 mm guns, one forward, two aft, one amidships on the main deck and one on the deckhouse.
6. The cable ship is ready for her trials.

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